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At page 1, line 1, please change the title to -- Apparatus for Screening Catalysts in a Parallel Fixed-Bed Reactor -- .

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-- This application is a divisional of co-pending U.S. Ser. No. 09/607,535, which itself is a divisional of U.S. Ser. No. 09/093,870 filed June 9, 1998 and issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,149,992. --